

Media Release

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December 16, 2015 – UPDATE –

SUSPECT IN CUSTODY – Stolen property still being sought

YCSO Seeking Suspect(s) in Home Burglary – Multi-thousand dollar loss

On December 15, 2015, 32-year-old Dustin Lee Butler was arrested for being a Prohibited possessor of Firearms, Burglary, Theft, Criminal damage, Possession of Drug Paraphernalia, Possession of Marijuana, possession of a Narcotic Drug, and Trafficking in Stolen Property. He remains in-custody on a \$15,000 bond.



Earlier that day, a search warrant was served at Dustin Butler's house located in the 1400 block of E. Diablo Drive in Cottonwood. Dustin is a relative of the burglary victim. On November 28, 2015, the victim reported numerous items of value being stolen from his home. Many of those stolen items were described in a December 1, 2015, media release (see below). During extensive follow-up by YCSO detectives, they discovered Dustin had sold a high value pen and knife stolen from the victim to a pawn broker in Mesa, Arizona. The transaction was recorded on video. Dustin claimed he got the items from his brother and denied committing the burglary. The victim reaffirmed that Dustin never had permission to enter his home.

During the investigation at Dustin's home, several items stolen from the Cornville home were found including rifle magazines and rounds, a silver belt buckle, a silver coin, knife, and the burglary victim's checkbook. In Dustin's bedroom and bathroom, detectives located items of drug paraphernalia including at least one meth pipe and syringes. Detectives also seized a usable quantity of Marijuana and Heroin. Additionally, detectives found 2 handguns and noted Dustin is a prohibited possessor.

As of today, detectives are still seeking much of the stolen property listed in the prior media release and would appreciate contact from anyone who has information regarding the whereabouts of the property. Please contact the Sheriff's Office at 928-771-3260 or callers may report information anonymously to Yavapai Silent Witness at 1800-932-3232. Case no. 15-045563 – original release follows.

Originally issued December 1, 2015 - Just after midnight on November 28, 2015, a resident returned to his home in the 1500 block of Rancho Casero Drive, Cornville, and discovered a burglary. The resident had been out of state for about 2 weeks leaving the home unoccupied. It appears unknown suspects forced their way into the home by breaking out glass on the front door to gain access. While checking the bedroom, the resident discovered quite a bit of property had been stolen including 13 firearms (many are considered antique), collector coins, tools and jewelry – see below for detailed descriptions.

YCSO is seeking anyone with information regarding suspects and/or the whereabouts of the stolen property. ***Please contact the Sheriff's Office at 928-771-3260 or callers may report information anonymously to Yavapai Silent Witness at 1800-932-3232. Silent Witness callers become eligible for a cash reward if an arrest results. Refer to case number 15-045563.***

Some of the items stolen are listed as follows (brand names are in quotes):

FIREARMS –

“Smith and Wesson” Model 36, 5 shot revolver, .38 caliber, 2” barrel /

“Long Tom” 12 gauge shotgun, very old, rough condition /

“Weatherby” Mark V Rifle, blond wood stock, with scope and hard case /

“Browning” Citori Shotgun, over-under style, .20 gauge, gold trigger, mint condition /

“Browning” SA 22 Rifle, new in the box/

“Winchester” 30-30 lever action Rifle, in box displaying Montgomery Ward label, new condition /

“Bushmaster” M4A# Semi-Auto Carbine, .223 – 5.56 caliber with 5 magazines, new in box /

OTHER -

Gold coins, 10 in a mix of “South African Krugerrand” and “American Eagle” types/

Approximately 200 “American Eagle” coins /

“Dewalt” hammer drill, cordless 18 volt power, in tool bag /

“Craftsman” 190 piece hand tool set in hard case /

“Winchester” pellet gun /

“Vortex” Talon binoculars /

“Umarex” Pellet Gun/

“Rolex” Submariner watch, valued at \$10,000 /

Citizens can contact the Yavapai County Sheriff's Office with information or questions at 928-771-3260 or the YCSO website:

www.ycsoaz.gov